s17 Geometric Series Exam (Practice v28)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 780, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S \ = \ 780 + 741.16 + 704.25 + 669.18 + 635.85 + 604.19 + 574.1 + 545.51 + 518.34 + 492.53$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 741.16 + 704.25 + 669.18 + 635.85 + 604.19 + 574.1 + 545.51 + 518.34 + 492.53 + 468$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 2 + 2(3) + 2(3)^{2} + 2(3)^{3} + \cdots + 2(3)^{59} + 2(3)^{60} + 2(3)^{61} + 2(3)^{62}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.